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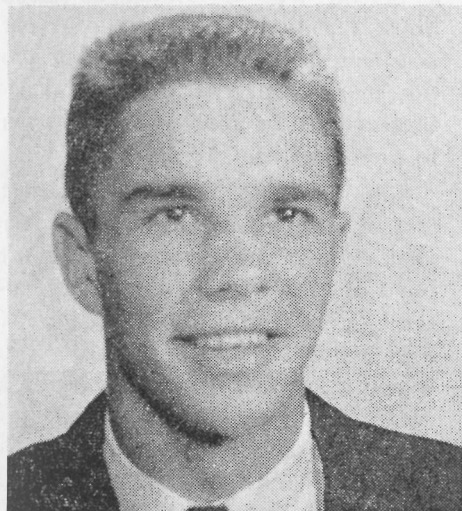
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Sophomores Elect Officers; Edenfield President



Tom Edenfield



Joan Coons

An Tuesday, Sept. 30th, voting for Sophomore class officers resulted in the election of Tom Edenfield as President. Joan Coons was elected Vice-President and Robert Mallis as Treasurer. Voting for the office of Secretary resulted in a tie between Sally Caire and Elizabeth Reid.

Tom Edenfield, newly elected President, is a 1957 graduate of Commercial High School. He was captain of the football team and President of the Student Council. After his graduation he was awarded a scholarship to attend Armstrong by the Savannah Quarterback Club. Tom was President of the Freshman Class last year and Freshman Homecoming King. He is at present studying pre-law and shall continue his college education at the University of Georgia.

Joan Coons is a 1957 graduate of Savannah High School where she was a cheerleader and one of the most popular students. She was Vice-President of the Freshman Class last year and was Freshman Homecoming Queen. She is majoring in Home Economics at Armstrong and plans to continue her education at the University of Georgia.

Robert, a member of Fraternity X at Armstrong, is a 1957 graduate of Savannah High School, being active in student affairs there as he has been at Armstrong. He is at present studying chemistry and plans to continue his education at the University of Georgia.

Sally Caire is an Honor graduate of Savannah High School. She is a member of the Newman Club at Armstrong and very active in student affairs.

Elizabeth Reid is also an honor graduate of Savannah High and is a member of the Masquers and Radio Workshop.

Mr. Persse has announced that a runoff for the office of Secretary will be held at a later date.

President's Message

A cordial welcome to you all.

The doors to my office are always open, and you are not only invited, but urged to come to see me. If, for any reason, your experiences here at Armstrong are unsatisfactory or unpleasant, please tell me.

Each Armstrong student is requested to offer suggestions or recommendations relative to any phase of the college program. It is hoped that you will present them in person. However, if you prefer to remain anonymous, a Suggestion Box is available in the lobby of the Armstrong Building.

The Armstrong College staff joins me in wishing you a successful year. We are all interested in your welfare, and we hope that you will call on us whenever you feel there are ways in which we may be helpful.

It is my belief that Armstrong students, while here, are members of a democratic form of college government. You are invited to react to this statement either in the Inkwell or in other ways.

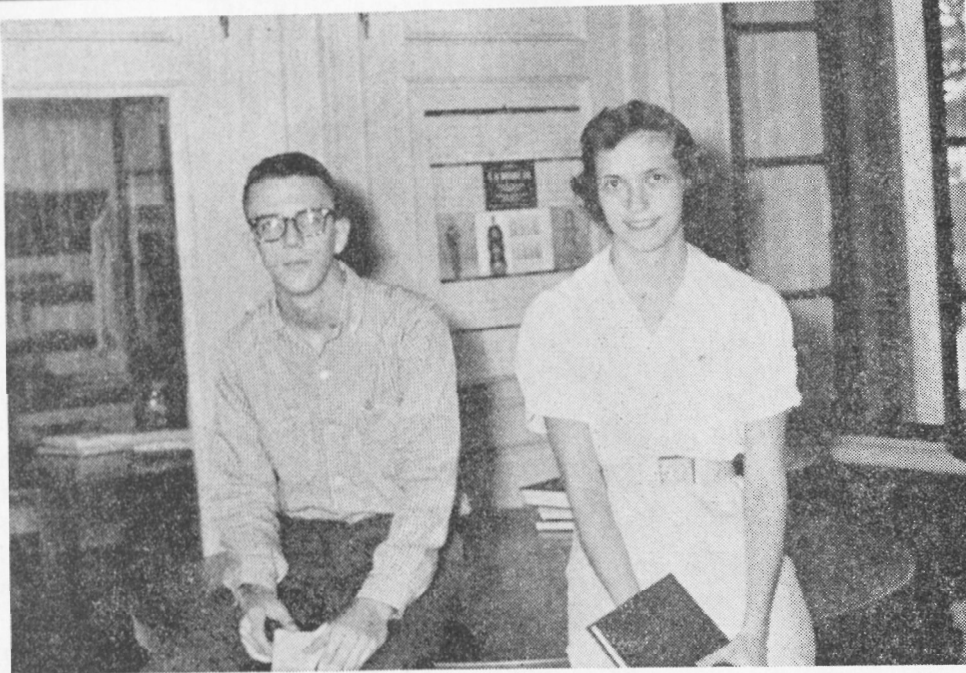
My very best wishes to each of you.

FOREMAN M. HAWES
President

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Brice Langford and Barbara Mordecai, newly appointed Editors of Inkwell and "Geechee" respectively.

Commission Approves Regents' Proposal

The Armstrong College Commission is in favor of letting Armstrong College enter the University System, if financial matters can be arranged. The commission said that Armstrong's entering the system would be in the "best interest of the college and the people of Savannah."

The State Board of Regents has agreed to take Armstrong into the University System on January 1, for a down payment of \$195,400 plus \$75,000 a year for the next four years. All of the money will be used for capital improvements of the college. Mayor W. Lee Mingledorff, Jr., and Dr. H. Y. Charbonnier, representing the Armstrong College Commission, made the preliminary arrangements with the Regents' education committee.

The College Commission, Friday, decided to accept the Regents' offer, saying it was a great victory for Savannah in its hopes of obtaining some state aid for Armstrong. Mingledorff said this was a "far better" offer than the Regents had originally demand-

ed. The new offer calls for a total of \$495,400 to be paid over a four year period, while the original offer was for \$779,000 in the next two years. The College Commissioners have also examined the terms of the Junior College Act, but found them too impractical.

The plan for entering the system is meeting with obstacles on how to raise the money for the \$195,400 down payment. The city will have no trouble meeting the \$75,000 yearly payments, although, because this is \$18,000 less than Savannah now contributes towards the college's expenses. Mayor Mingledorff has suggested a county-wide referendum for raising the money, but the County Commissioners say that they can't appropriate money for the college without an order from the people. Judge H. Lee Fulton, Jr., County Commission Chairman, thought the school board could request such a referendum. But school board attorney, Emory Findley, said, "We do not think the Board of Education has the power to ask for a referendum or the authority to appropriate any money

WELCOME FRESHMEN

by Sam Magee

On behalf of Armstrong College we of the Inkwell wish to extend a welcome to you Freshmen. It is our hope that you will enjoy being students here. In fact, we feel that there is every reason that you will.

Though small, you are going to find that Armstrong has much to offer a person who is willing to extend himself a little. Not only can your academic life be a full one, but also the many different groups and activities that are offered can help you to enjoy college life more.

Some of you have the idea that just because Armstrong is not a four year college and because you do not have to go off to another town to attend, it is merely a continuation of high school. In one sense this is true: if you think that grammar school is a continuation of kindergarten, and that high school is a continuation of grammar school, then it would naturally follow that college is a continuation of high school. There is no sharply drawn line to mark off different phases of learning. Education is a fluid thing that can never be categorized and put on a shelf. So, in this sense, Armstrong is a continuation of high school.

But in another and equally important way, Armstrong is much more. Here you will begin to learn that an effort is required on your part in order to get ahead. What you learn will be a result of how much you try to learn. No more will knowledge be spoon-fed to you. You will have to reach out and grasp it for yourself. You will be helped, but not compelled. And if you do not want to learn then you are cheating only yourself—because remember, it's your money now that is paying for what you get.

received by it for Armstrong."

The College Commission is now busy looking into other ways of raising the down payment.

If Armstrong becomes a part of the University System, the Regents will assume the entire operational costs from the city. Dr. Charbonnier said that tuition costs are expected to be reduced if the state takes over the college.

Editorial

We are most of us, as college students, passing through the final major formative stage in our lives. By the time we have graduated and entered upon our careers, or married, our characters will have set in the patterns which have been imposed upon them. We will have seen little of life, had but dim, fleeting views of ways and visions other than our own; but as our experience continues to broaden, the benefits to us will be greatly diminished. If we are fortunate we will become wiser, and our lives richer; but this will be in the main by virtue of innate capacity: our progress will be only along the lines which are now being laid down.

With this in mind, it's saddening that our lives at this point give so little evidence of purposeful direction. We know that virtually all progress and development must be the result of conscious effort, and that although the effort required to establish and maintain a line of development may be considerable, still it must be made if our lives are to be of much worth, even to ourselves; but we might almost as well be ignorant of it.

We are at or near the threshold of adulthood, and going on to senior college we will be required, both in the kind of performance expected in academic work, and in social life, to show an appropriate maturity; and certainly the lives we take up after graduation will require it. And maturity is, in large part, a reflection of precisely this: an intelligent choice of goals, of many kinds, made in the light of the broadest view of life to which we can attain, and in the determined pursuit of them.

Now, I am far from recommending a progress through the next few years with eyes fixed on the far, uncertain future, ignoring any chance of real life and pleasure in the present. For whatever else it may be, our college years also make up the last period in our lives when most of us will be free of heavy responsibility—that is, our last opportunity for large, unmixed doses of relaxation and pleasure; and we owe it to ourselves to make the most of it. But the two—choice and pursuit of permanent goals, and acceptance of present pleasure—are not incompatible, and

FIRST ASSEMBLY HELD ON WEDNESDAY

The opening assembly of the school year, held principally for the benefit of new students, was called on Wednesday the 24th, with Mr. Beecher as genial host.

The purpose of this assembly being to acquaint students new to Armstrong with the various organizations within the school, the bulk of the program was given over to Mr. Harry Persse, Director of Student Activities, who spoke on the voluntary-membership clubs, the Student Senate, and Alpha Lambda Sigma, the school's honor society, membership in which is dependent upon accumulation of honor-points under a system recently revised by Mr. Persse. Following the assembly the students met with representatives of the clubs to gain further familiarity with their work.

Prior to the assembly copies of the newly-revised "A" Book were distributed.

Did You Know That . . .

Foreman M. Hawes was a member of Armstrong's first faculty as an instructor of Chemistry. He was appointed acting president in 1943, president in 1945, and has served the college in that capacity ever since . . .

It was once proposed the "Big Duke," the historic fire-bell that now hangs in the Colonial Cemetery, adorn the Armstrong campus. City Council vetoed this proposal after the protest of neighbors who thought the bell would only create a nuisance . . .

The 1958 'Geechee finally arrived last summer and is available in the Publications' office to all students who have not yet picked them up . . .

Mrs. Margaret S. Lubs, instructor of English and French, is a talented musician who holds a degree in music from Converse College (among others), once led the Armstrong Glee Club and Orchestra and performed the Grieg Piano Concerto with the orchestra of the Savannah Symphony and Choral Society. Mrs. Lubs is also the co-author of the Armstrong Alma Mater . . .

should not be really separate; there is time for both: and this new school year is a great opportunity for both. Let's not waste it.

—B.L.

Armstrong College, Past and Present

Armstrong College of Savannah is one of the higher ranking junior colleges of the nation and also a fully accredited member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Armstrong renders an outstanding service to the community by giving its students a better understanding of the world and the ability to adapt knowledge to meet the obligations of responsible citizenship.

Mayor Thomas Gamble and the Aldermen of Savannah founded Armstrong Junior College on May 27, 1935, to meet the need of such an institution of learning in Savannah. Since the state legislature had passed the junior college bill the next problem to be faced was a location for the college. The widow and daughter of the late George F. Armstrong deeded their home as the first building. The elaborate Italian Renaissance structure, one of the most beautiful college buildings in the South, is now used for administration purposes.

Over the years, as the needs and student body grew it was necessary to acquire additional buildings. Jenkins Hall, which was named in honor of Herschel V. Jenkins, was erected in 1936 to house additional classrooms and the college auditorium. The estate of the late John W. Hunt provided funds with which to purchase the Dub residence, now called the Hunt Building, which has been adapted to house the economic department and the Student Center (which is more popularly known as "the Dump" to the students). Mills B. Lane, a prominent banker, presented the Lane Building as a gift.

The Georgia Historical Society has given Armstrong students access to Hodgson Hall which houses the libraries for both the Historical Society and the college. Gamble Hall, the college science building, was originally completed in 1942; but in January 1957, the Armstrong alumni organization gave its support for an addition to Gamble Hall. For the first time in twenty-one years Armstrong called upon the general public for donations for the expansion of the college program. The newly remodeled and expanded Gamble Hall is now completed and in use by the college students and faculty.

Many Savannahians have warm memories of days at Armstrong in their hearts and in the future there will be even more. The approximate number of students enrolled for day classes is 500.

This is a far cry from the first enrollment of 159 students in the Fall of 1935.

Armstrong Welcomes New "Additions"

This year Armstrong welcomes not only the largest Freshman Class in history, but the largest number of new teachers in many years. We of the Publications staff sincerely hope that each of you will enjoy your stay with us.

Mr. Hook, who has joined the Math department, comes to us from Savannah High where he held the position as head of the math department since 1943. He is a native of Columbia, South Carolina, but he claims Savannah is his home. He attended Newberry College where he received his B.A. He then moved on to Columbia University where he received his Master's degree.

Miss Tucker, a new Physical Ed. teacher, comes to us from the University of Tenn., where she received her B.A. She is a native of Nashville, Tenn. This is her first teaching job.

Mr. Warren, who has joined our English department, is a native of Columbia, Miss. He attended the University of Miss., and received his A.B. degree from Tulane University in New Orleans. While in school he did some theatrical work and has worked with the Little Theatre in New Orleans.

Dr. Kaplan, a part time instructor in Psychology, is also a native Savannahian. He is a graduate of Benedictine Military School. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Georgia, his Master's degree from Columbia University and his PH.D. degree from the University of North Carolina. Dr. Kaplan worked four years in Washington for the United States Government. He then returned to Savannah last January to set up his private practice and work at the Mental Health Clinic.

Mr. Fowler, an instructor in English, is a native of Decatur, Ga. He received his B.A. from the University of Georgia and his Master's degree from Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn. Before coming to Armstrong he taught at the Inman Park School for Boys in Decatur.

Mrs. Bergrin, also an instructor in English, is a native of Brooklyn, N. Y. She received both her B.A. and M.A. degrees from Hunter College in New York. For the last 7½ years she has taught for the Board of Education in New York City. Mrs. Bergrin is married to a former Armstrong

Strictly Co-ed

by Judy A. Glisson

Girls, ladies, and old maids, lend me your time. After a busy week of meeting teachers and books, it was time to take a break. This past Sunday Armstrong's two sororities solved the problem by inviting all ladies to attend their teas.

What an exciting afternoon! Faces were radiant as new acquaintances were made, and old friendships were strengthened. Diets were forgotten by young ladies because the punch and food was no less than delicious.

Delta Chi's Tea was held from 3:00 until 5:00 on Oxford Drive in the home of Miss Tay Harmon, president. Chatter mingled with laughter as the guests became acquainted with the sorority members.

Yellow carnations tied with a lovely black bow served as a center piece and carried out the sorority colors. Favors given were match folders bearing the name of Delta Chi.

Last, but far from least, was the tea given by Alpha Tau Beta Sorority from 5:00 until 7:00. Miss Judy Glisson, president of A.T.B. cordially welcomed each visitor in the home of Miss Marsha Torrence on East 54th Street.

Alpha Tau Beta's colors were carried out with gold candle sticks and two flower arrangements of blue carnations mingled with yellow mums.

Yellow candy sticks tied with blue ribbons, and Alpha Tau Beta match folders were given as favors.

Invitations to these sororities will be received this week and then the RATS begin the dirty work. Good Luck!

student.

Miss Thacker, a Chemistry instructor, is a native of Dothan, Ala. She attended Agnes Scott College in Atlanta, but received both her B.S. and M.S. from Emory University. This, too, is her first teaching job.

Mr. Remley, a new psychology instructor, is also a native of Savannah. He is a graduate of Commercial High School and attended the University of Georgia where he received his B.A. degree. He too is married to a former Armstrong student.

Dr. James Charbonnier Dies Unexpectedly

Armstrong was saddened by the passing, on Tuesday September 23, of Dr. James Charbonnier, an instructor here since 1954. His death followed some months of ill health; he had undertaken to conduct only one course, in German, for the Fall quarter. He had previously given courses here in history, French, and German, teaching in both the day and evening schools.

Dr. Charbonnier held the A.B. and B.S. degrees from Geneva University; a B.D. from Drew University; A.M. from Yale; Litt.D. from Geneva. Before coming to Armstrong he taught in various private schools, was a tutor at Yale, and was for 19 years on the faculty of Taylor University in Indiana. During his academic career he was the recipient of numerous honors. He was among the best-loved of the Armstrong faculty.

Dr. Gignilliat Leaves Armstrong College

Dr. Arthur Gignilliat, who has served Armstrong since the school's beginning in both teaching and administrative positions, has resigned as Director of the Evening College to accept a post as Assistant to the Director of Extensions at the University of Arkansas.

Dr. Gignilliat, a native Savannahian, is a graduate of Savannah High and received his A.B. and M.A. degrees from the University of Ga. He came to Armstrong as an instructor of Mathematics and Social Sciences.

A reserve officer, Dr. Gignilliat left Armstrong in 1940 to serve as an officer in the Army.

In July of 1946, Dr. Gignilliat returned to Armstrong as Registrar of the college. He was appointed Director of the University of Georgia Off-Campus Center in 1948 and assumed duties as Director of the Armstrong Evening College in 1951. He took two years leave of absence to gain his Doctors' degree in Junior College Administration at the University of Texas and was made Vice-President of Armstrong in 1955.

Dr. Gignilliat's association with the college will long be remembered by all who have worked with him or attended Armstrong under his guidance.